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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Akira TOMONO et al.) Group Art Unit: 2826
Application No.: 10/693,083) Examiner: Williams, Alexander O.
Filed: October 27, 2003) Confirmation No.: 8467
For: PACKAGING ASSEMBLY AND)
METHOD OF ASSEMBLING THE SAME)

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action mailed August 31, 2004, with a period for response extending through September 30, 2004, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to "[a]ny one species or one set of the same species in figures 1-20." Office Action at page 2.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the group characterized by the Examiner as one set of species corresponding to Figure 1. Claims 1-6 are readable on this set.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 30, 2004

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